

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
 ) CASE NO. MJ 16-078  
Plaintiff, )  
 )  
v. )  
 ) DETENTION ORDER  
SHAHIN TABATABAEI, )  
 )  
Defendant. )  
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Offense charged: Conspiracy to Violate the International Emergency Economic Powers  
Act; International Emergency Economic Powers Act

Date of Detention Hearing: February 23, 2016.

The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and  
based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds  
that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably  
assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the  
community.

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01 FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

02 1. Defendant was indicted in the Central District of California in 2013 on the  
03 above-referenced charges (Case No. CR13-158). Although the Indictment was apparently  
04 open, defendant was not arrested on the Indictment until now, despite travel across the  
05 U.S.-Canadian border on numerous occasions over the past few years. On this occasion, he  
06 was arrested when returning to Canada from a family trip to Washington State. He resides in  
07 British Columbia, Canada, and has both Canadian and Iranian passports. He has no ties to either  
08 this District or the charging District. He has some family ties to Iran, and also has business ties  
09 to Mexico.

10 2. Defendant poses a risk of nonappearance based on foreign ties to Canada,  
11 Mexico, and Iran, limited ties to the U.S., and possession of dual passports. Defendant poses a  
12 risk of danger due to the nature of the instant charges, but this risk is of lesser significance.  
13 The Court notes that the charging District may wish to revisit the issue of detention upon  
14 Defendant's first appearance in that District.

15 3. There does not appear to be any condition or combination of conditions that will  
16 reasonably assure the defendant's appearance at future Court hearings while addressing the  
17 danger to other persons or the community.

18 It is therefore ORDERED:

- 19 1. Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the Attorney  
20 General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent practicable, from  
21 persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal;
- 22 2. Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with

01 counsel;

02 3. On order of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the  
03 person in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is confined shall deliver  
04 the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection  
05 with a court proceeding; and

06 4. The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to counsel  
07 for the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United State Pretrial Services  
08 Officer.

09 DATED this 24th day of February, 2016.

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12 United States Magistrate Judge  
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